& distributing losses, implementation of demand management and energy conservation measures.

Coal production in Rajrappa project

3114. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA. Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) when the Rajrappa coal project was set up in Bihar and when it started production;

(b) whether it is a fact that this project has suffered a loss of 5 lakhs tonnes of coal during 1986-87, if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what are the figures of production of coal during 1985-86, 1986-87 and in the current year upto 31-10-1987; and

(d) the measures Government propose to take to increase production in the Rajrappa Project?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (d) Ramgarh (Rajrappa) Opencast Project was sanctioned by the Government in July 1977 for a rated capacity of 3.00 million tonnes per annum at a capital investment of Rs. 41.598 crores. Simultaneously, the linked Ramgarh (Rajrappa) Washery was also sanctioned by the Government in July 1977 to wash the coal produced in Opencast Mine. The mine came into production from the year 1978-79. Later in June 1983, Revised Project Report of this project was approved by the Government to raise the investment to Rs. 91.46 crores. The target/actual production of coal from this mine during 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 (Upto October, 1987) is as under:

Year	Coal production in lakhs	
	Target	Actual
1985-86	30·00	9 20
1986-87	30 00	14 34
1987-88 (Upto October 1987) (Full year)	30·00	9.26

There was no loss of coal as such at this project. Production had to be pegged due to delay in construction of Rajrappa Washedy by MAMC. Washery is expected to be commissioned by March, 1988.

2. Owing to the delays in the award of construction work and later in the construction of washery, the completion schedule of washery slipped by more than five years. In view of this, funds were regulated for the opencast mine from 1978-79 onwards so that the construction of the mine keeps pace with that of the washery. The washery is now expected to be completed by March, 1988. Accordingly, production from mine will now be matched to the requirement of the washery.

Assessment for coal

3115. SHRI S. S AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the requirement of coal for the country as a whole by the end of the Seventh Plan; if so, the year in which the assessment was made;

(b) the quantum of coal expected to be produced in the country by the end of the said plan period;

(c) whether development of coal fields in the country needs urgent attention of Government in view of the deteriorating condition of coal fields and also to increase the production of coal to meet the growing demand; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to improve the conditions of such coalfields?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) According to the assessment of the Planning Commission, made in 1985, the demand for coal in the terminal year of the Seventh Plan would be 237 million tonnes. With reference to this demand assessment, domestic coal production of 226 million tonnes is targetted for the last year of the Seventh Plan.

(c) and (d) Government is aware of the need to develop various coalfields in order to meet the growing demand. The production plans have been drawn up accordingly taking into account, *inter alia*, the location of the demand centres, geomining setting of coal deposits etc. and steps are being taken to meet the infrastructure requirement of different coalfields for their speedy development.

Pit-head Super Thermal Power station at Manuguru, Andhra Pradesh

3116. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Govenment of Andhra Pradesh has proposed to set up a pit-head super thermal power station at Manuguru near Bhadrachalam in the Singareni Coal Field area;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at the instance of the Government of India the State Government surrendered this site to the National Thermal Power Corporation for the establishment of a super thermal power station;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the State Government has been requesting the Central Government that this project may be included in the Seventh Plan itself in order to meet the large power deficit in the State; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in announcing and formally commencing work on this project early?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) to (d) A proposal had been received from the State Electricity Board for setting up a thermal power station at Manuguru in Andhra Pradesh. Subsequently, the State Government suggested the setting up of a Super Power Station in the Central Sector at Manuguru and placed the site at the disposal of the Government of India

The National Thermal Power Corporation are currently in the process of preparing a feasibility report for the proposed project. Work on the project could commence only after its techno-economic viability has been established and all necessary inputs, including the availability of funds and of coal, have been tied up.

A.P. Government proposal to set up Thermal Power station in Rayalaseema

3117. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received a proposal from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for the setting up of a thermal power station in the Rayalaseema region of the State;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the techno-economic clearance for the proposed thermal power station in Rayalaseema region has not yet been given despite the fact that the State has furnished all the information required in this connection;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the techno-economic clearance for the setting up of this power station is likely to be granted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) The proposal in respect of installation of 2X210 MW thermal power station in Rayalaseema (Muddanur) has been techno-economically cleared by the Central Electricity Authority, subject to confirmation of coal linkage, clearance being obtained by the State Electricity Board from environmental angle and compliance of conditions stipulated by the State Pollution Control Board.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

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3118. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :**
श्री रशीद मसूद :

क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली विद्युत प्रदाय संस्थान में आवश्यक सामग्री की कमी होने के कारण दिल्ली में नये